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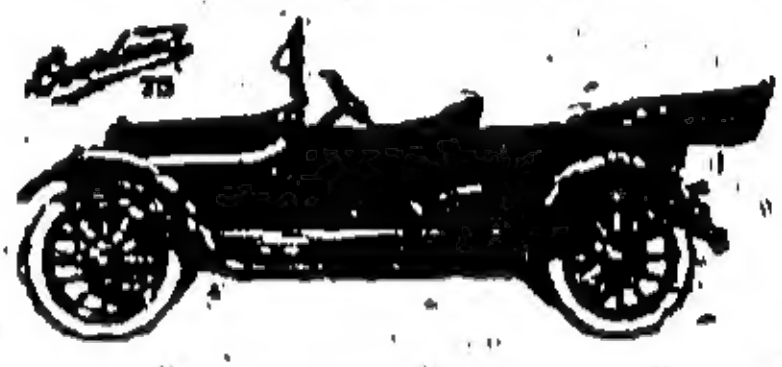
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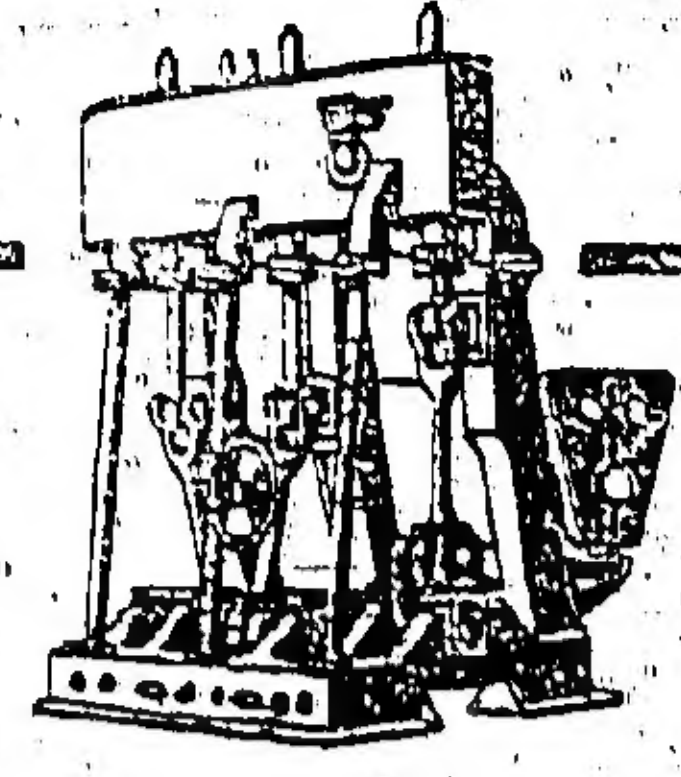
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THE WAR.
LATEST TELEGRAMS.
(Reuters Service to the China Mail.)

ENEMY ASSAULTS ON FRENCH FRONT.
GERMAN CLAIMS TO SUCCESS.
—
LONDON, March 5.
A German official report, received by wireless, states: We stormed and captured a French position at Carrières Wood on a front of 1,500 metres and repulsed counter-attacks during the night.
We captured an important position at the south-east corner of Fosses Wood, capturing 378 prisoners, 16 machine-guns, and 25 quick-loaders.
There were numerous air fights in which the enemy lost 18 aeroplanes yesterday and we lost four.
—
THE FRENCH REPORT.
A French communiqué states: After a most intense bombardment in the region of Carrières Wood, on the right bank of the Meuse, the enemy violently attacked on a front of three kilometres between Chambray Farm and Bezonvaux.
Repeated assaults between Carrières Wood and Bezonvaux failed.
The enemy gained a footing in our advanced elements north of Carrières Wood, but our fire smashed all attempts to penetrate the Wood, with heavy enemy losses.

THE BRITISH FRONT.
GERMAN ADMISSION OF A BRITISH SUCCESS.
—
LONDON, March 5.
A German official report, received by wireless, says: The English attacked southward of St. Pierre Vast Wood and captured a trench sector on the Bouchavesnes-Maislains road.
—
THE ITALIAN FRONT.
ANOTHER ITALIAN SUCCESS.
—
LONDON, March 5.
An Italian official message, transmitted by wireless, reports: We brilliantly attacked and occupied a strong position, 2,700 metres in altitude in the Costa Billa group in the Avisio sector.

THRILLING INCIDENT IN JUTLAND BATTLE.
POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF A V.C.
—
LONDON, March 5.
A thrilling story of the Battle of Jutland is now fully revealed by the Admiralty's announcement of the posthumous award of the Victoria Cross to Commander Jones of the destroyer Shark which led a division of destroyers in an attack on the enemy battle-cruiser squadron.
The Shark was disabled by two shells, and another destroyer came between the Shark and the enemy and offered assistance, but Commander Jones warned the destroyer off, saying if it remained it would almost certainly be sunk, and then, though wounded in the leg, he helped to man the after wheel and subsequently, when the forecastle and after gun's crews were blown away, Commander Jones assisted in keeping the midship gun in action.

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PRESIDENT WILSON CREATES A SENSATION.
MANIFESTO DENOUNCING THE OBSTRUCTIONISTS.
—
WASHINGTON, March 5.
The Senate meets to-day under extraordinary circumstances.
President Wilson delivers, this morning, his inaugural message from the steps of the Capitol, but meanwhile, the nation has been stirred up to the core by a manifesto denouncing "the little group of willful men representing only their own opinion" who withstood 500 supporters of the Government's policy at a crisis fraught with more far-reaching possibilities of national danger than any Government ever experienced.

THE ARMING OF AMERICAN MERCHANTMEN.
PRESIDENTS PLAN TO OVERCOME OBSTRUCTION.
—
WASHINGTON, March 5.
President Wilson, in a statement yesterday evening, informed the country that he had not the power to arm merchantmen and to take other steps to meet the submarine menace without the authority of Congress. An extra session is required to give him that authority but it was useless while the Senate works under the present rule of permitting a small minority to keep an overwhelming majority at bay.
He proposes to call a special session of the Senate to-day to revise the rules and to supply means of action to save the Country from disaster.

BULGARIAN TRENCHES SNOWED UP.
ENEMY BOMBARDMENT OF MONASTIR.
—
LONDON, March 5.
Reuters' Correspondent at Serbian Headquarters reports that the Bulgarian trenches at Monastir are snowed up.
It is officially estimated that the enemy dropped 2,627 shells and bombs on Monastir during 3 months. Forty-three houses were destroyed and 300 damaged, 32 men and 35 women and children were killed and 37 men and 85 women and children were injured.

DISSOLUTION OF AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT.
MR. HUGHES' DEPARTURE FOR ENGLAND DELAYED.
—
SYDNEY, March 5.
Owing to the obstructive tactics of the Labourites, the Federal Government has suddenly announced the dissolution of Parliament, entailing an indefinite postponement of Mr. Hughes' visit to England.
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A twin girl and boy borne to people at Moon Stoke, Hants, have been baptised by the names of "Edith Cavell" and "Lloyd George" respectively.

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

NOTICE.

ON and after 15th March, 1917 the HOURS for the transaction of business by the Hongkong Savings Bank will be 10 A.M. to 12 Noon, Saturdays included.

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N. J. STARR
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Hongkong, March 4, 1917. 1532

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By Order of
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
Hongkong, Feb. 22, 1917. 1533

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Buildings, Charter Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 10th March, 1917, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1916 and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 5th March, 1917, until SATURDAY, the 10th March, 1917, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, Feb. 26, 1917. 1534

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Hongkong, March 2, 1917. 1544

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Hongkong, March 2, 1917. 1548

QUEEN MARY'S NEEDLEWORK GUILD.

LADY MAY, "President of the Guild" in this Colony, invites all Ladies interested in the organization of working parties for war work—whether in connection with the War Charities Committee or not—to attend a MEETING at GOVERNMENT HOUSE on WEDNESDAY, 7th March at 10.30 A.M. for the discussion of matters of general interest.

Hongkong, Feb. 23, 1917. 1541

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS and VEGETABLES, to be held in the Botanic Gardens.

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A. NICOL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, March 11, 1917. 1542

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British Headquarters in the
Field, France, Jan. 6.

To-day I have been in the company of some of the officers of the Portuguese Expeditionary Force in France, and came away particularly impressed by the soldierly smartness and remarkable zeal, as well as the excellent physique of all the members of the group.

The party belonged to the artillery branch and were attending a lecture—or I might more correctly describe it as a "chat" description—dealing with some of the special features of trench warfare on the Western front. The lecturer, who was a British liaison officer, spoke in French, and it was easy to see by the manner in which his hearers followed him, with maps and notebooks spread before them, frequently interjecting queries or exchanging comments, that they very clearly grasped all that was said.

EAGER TO LEARN MORE.

Indeed, those of our officers who have come in contact with the Portuguese speak highly of their military training and efficiency. But it is manifest that, however thoroughly soldiers may have learnt their business under peace conditions they must have much to profit from hearing the experiences of those who have waged war under the conditions with which they themselves are about to be confronted.

The uniform is very similar to that of the French Army, but with a slight elusive grey tint in the blue colour scheme. Rank stripes are worn on the cuffs of the tunic in the French fashion, and I noticed a piping of red around the collar and shoulder straps. Overcoats are of the British khaki pattern, and the cap is very similar to that worn by our troops, except that it is blue. The officers wore Sam Brown waist-belts, with cross slings, and brown leggings.

I gather that the kit, and indeed the whole equipment of the Portuguese Expeditionary Force, has been designed with a special view to service requirements on the Western front, and from what little I have thus far seen, it should prove thoroughly satisfactory.

PENINSULAR WAR MEMORIES.

I understand that the officers are highly pleased at the cordiality of the reception they have met with since their arrival. They talk freely about the Peninsular War, displaying a knowledge of the fighting and incidents in that campaign which is surprisingly intimate.

Although it is obviously impossible, for military reasons, to give any particulars to the strength and character of the force our Portuguese Ally is adding to the legions on the Western front, some general details of the military organization of that country is of opportune interest.

The compulsory militia system is in force, and exemption from service has been minimised rigidly since the outbreak of war. The period of annual training varies from 30 to 15 weeks, according to length of service and qualifications.

Pre-war figures gave the effective permanent strength of the Portuguese army as 32,000 of all ranks, with reserves which, on mobilisation, would bring the total up to 150,000. A Portuguese division, on war strength, consists of three brigades of six battalions each, with a regiment of cavalry, engineers, and 48 field guns of the 75mm. pattern. The heavy artillery is a separate organisation. The Divisional Commander is a lieutenant-general.

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HEALTH OF FIELD ARMIES.

A medical correspondent points out that in his recent dispatch Sir Douglas Haig made a statement which is certainly among the most sensational ever put forth by a Commander in the field. He said:—"The health of the troops has been most satisfactory, and, during the period for which this dispatch refers, there has been an almost complete absence of wastage due to diseases of a preventable nature." That boast is unique in the history of the world. The old wars were the starting-point of all manner of plagues and epidemics. The history of war was also the history of disease, and now these two are separated. In the Spanish-American War thousands of young men were swept away by typhoid fever. In our own South African War the same disease destroyed battalions. The Portuguese, however, have been so successful in their campaign against disease that they have been able to keep their ranks full.

The Japanese in their war with Russia, thanks to care and foresight, reversed that proportion. They lost but 30 per cent. to disease, but even so it was a grievous loss. In the Balkan wars all the lessons which Japan taught the world were forgotten. Science had but a small voice in those fierce days, and so, as ever, pestilence walked with the marching men and brought the strength of the strongest to ruin. The man who has done this is the scientist—the man who has been accused of lacking the generous impulses of his fellows, who has been reviled as an experimenter and torturer of animals, a callous seeker after worthless knowledge, who has often been persecuted, has nearly always had to face great difficulties, has almost invariably been underpaid, and, as these things are measured nowadays, has had only secondary honours doled out to him when it became absolutely necessary to honour him.

He is the man who has saved battalions to the Army, preserved countless homes from bereavement, husbanded the young strength of the country, and by so doing sharpened all the weapons of war. One of the most potent agencies in this work has been the Medical Research Committee of the National Insurance Act. The War Office has freely acknowledged the immense debt it owes to this committee, which, under the secretaryship of Dr. W. H. Fletcher, has risen to a bound to the very front rank of scientific organisations and become in a true sense the expression of the nation's determination to investigate and eradicate disease.

War economy has evidently made its need felt in the vicarage as well as in the private house. A clergyman's little son went to stay at a friend's house. The next morning he was asked to say grace. As he hesitated, his host, endeavouring to help, said, "Say what father says before breakfast." Thus encouraged, the boy began: "Go easy with the bacon; it's eighteenpence a pound."

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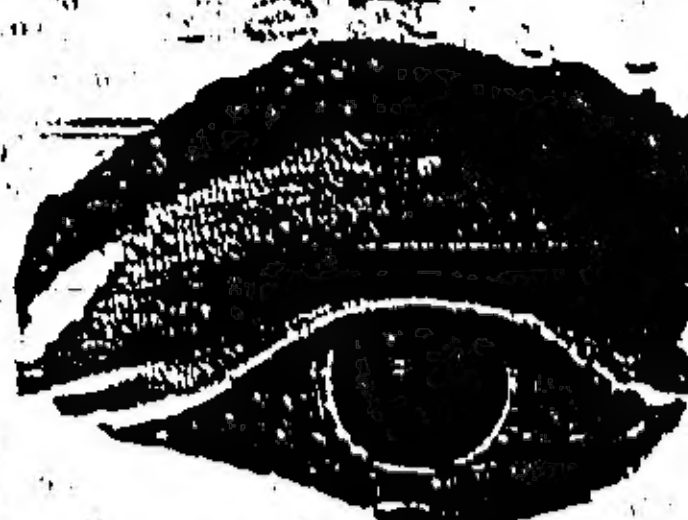
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To-day's Advertisements

The China Mail.

NOTICE.

A MEETING will be held on MONDAY Next, the 12th inst. at 5.15 P.M. in the CITY HALL to consider the best method of celebrating "ST. GEORGE'S DAY" with a view to raising further funds for British War Charities. All interested are earnestly invited to attend.

Hongkong, March 6, 1917.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED & REDUCED.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Buildings, "The Bazaar," Victoria, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 27th day of March, 1917, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1916, and declaring a Dividend.

By Order of

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
Hongkong, March 6, 1917.

THE DIARY.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

10.30 a.m.—Meeting at Government House of Ladies interested in War Work.
3 p.m.—Attention of Race Ponies outside City Hall.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY & FRIDAY, March 6.—B.K.H. Society's Annual Flower and Vegetable Show.

FRIDAY, March 9.—

5.55 a.m.—Full Moon.
11.30 a.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at Messrs. Hughes Hough's.

SATURDAY, March 10.—

10.30 a.m.—Auction of Dress Materials, Hats, Perfumery, etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

11.30 a.m.—Hongkong Rope Co's.

Meeting.

SATURDAY, March 17.—

St. Patrick's Day.

THURSDAY, March 29.—

Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.

THE "CHINA MAIL."

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British Colonies, as well as at home. Even Shanghai—where a St. George's Society is still one of the local institutions—organised a St. George's War Fund last year to be invested in War Loan, the proceeds being earmarked for the assistance of any member of the Society or his family who may have been injured or killed in the war. There is no St. George's Society in Hongkong and the objects of any effort, Englishmen in the Colony may make must therefore be on more general lines; but we think the idea of some organised effort on the part of the English section of the community will be welcomed.

The Name of the Colony.

We are asked, not by any means for the first time, which is the correct and authoritative way of writing the name of the Colony—as one word or as two. Every new comer is probably a little perplexed by the prevailing inconsistency in the printing of the name of the Colony. Dr. ERTEL, the historian of the Colony, down to 1882, says in his well-known History that when the Charter of Hongkong and the Royal Warrant were published by proclamation in the Gazette the name of the Colony was fixed as "Hongkong," and not "Hong Kong." Unfortunately, however, for this contention, the actual Charter (which we had an opportunity of seeing a few years ago), gives the name as "Hong Kong." If, therefore, the name was printed in the Gazette as one word, it was so printed because either the first Governor of the Colony or the printer of the Gazette preferred to see it as one word. Whether this printing of it as one word in the proclamation was deemed to have "fixed" the spelling or not, the fact remains that the spelling of the word has continued to be a matter of individual preference down to the present day. Many of the firms in the Colony have the word printed in their letter headings, etc., as two words. In the Colonial Office List the name is printed as two words; but in all the publications of the local Government—including the "Hongkong Government Gazette"—the name is printed as one. Yet on the notepaper of Government House it is printed as two words! Our own opinion is that the general English practice in the spelling of place names sanctions the writing of the name of this Colony as one word. We see no more reason for spelling Hongkong as two words than for spelling England, Scotland, Ireland, Bridgewater, Rosendale, Sevanok, Northumberland, and scores of other English names as two. It may be said that the Chinese use two ideographs in writing the name of the Colony, but so they do in writing Canton, Amoy, Foochow, Shanghai, Hankow, Wuhu, Ichang, Tientsin, Peking and many other names that are commonly printed in English as one word.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The wedding took place at Singapore on the 17th ult. of Mr. W. A. Wilson, of the Singapore Free Press, and formerly a journalist in Hongkong. He married Miss Winifred White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. White, of Hope Park, Mount Elizabeth, Singapore. Mr. Wilson is the author of a little book entitled "Musing Musings" which, besides relating in a humorous strain the operations of the Volunteers in the mutiny of a portion of the Indian troops at Singapore at an early stage of war, contains one or two interesting chapters on volunteering in Hongkong.

The Rev. Mr. Copley Moyle, Chaplain of St. John's Cathedral, is going home on leave after Easter and the Rev. Mr. Griffiths will act in his place. Mr. Moyle's agreement with the Church Body terminates on April 13th. The Church Body has offered to renew the agreement, and has given Mr. Moyle till the middle of August to decide whether he will renew. The Church Body has granted Mr. Moyle six months' leave, on full pay. The Acting Chaplain is to be granted a house allowance of \$150 in addition to his ordinary salary, and the Church Body has also agreed that the Bishop of Victoria shall provide clerical assistance for the Acting Chaplain for which they have agreed to pay \$100 a month.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A branch of the American Navy League has been formed in Manila.

The annual "public rump" of Race Ponies will be held to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock, at the Fountain outside the City Hall.

Our lady readers are reminded of the meeting, to be held at half-past-ten to-morrow morning at Government House, of all ladies interested in War Work.

A Chinese woman reported to the Police at Kowloon City yesterday that she had been attacked and robbed of two pairs of bangles valued at \$17 and one pair of bangles valued at \$30.

The P. M. S. S. Co's steamer *Equador* arrived at Yokohama from San Francisco on the 5th inst., one day ahead of schedule time, and left there for Hongkong, via Kobe, Shanghai and Manila, on the 6th inst.

At a meeting of the members of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club last night it was decided to continue the gymkhanas this year and to contribute to war charities a further \$3,000, after the withdrawal of deposits.

A telegram from the Postmaster General of the United States received at Shanghai announces the appointment of Mr. Edward Everett as United States Postal Agent at Shanghai to succeed Mr. John M. Darragh, who recently resigned.

Dr. Zitzmann, ex-German Consul at Manila, and his secretary, who were taken to Nagasaki from Manila by the transport *Thomas* with a view to their transhipment to Shanghai, were refused a permit to land in Japan and, therefore, had to proceed to the United States on the transport.

It is stated in the St. John's Cathedral Church Notes that much dissatisfaction has been felt and expressed with the custom of retaining a certain portion of the collection for Church expenses when a special collection is announced. The Church Body has decided that no deduction for Church expenses shall be made during the year 1917 from collections for special purposes, unless the Church Body shall previously authorise a deduction in any particular case.

The Manila *Cablenews* states that as a result of a visit to the Philippines by Dr. Ping Wen Kuo, head of a Chinese Educational Commission, a dozen American teachers are to leave the Philippines for China almost immediately, and tentative arrangements have been made with the Bureau of Education for three of this calendar year, should their services be required.

It seems hardly credible that in these times there can be British subjects anywhere in the world who still prefer to be treated ill by German doctors when competent British doctors are available; but some correspondence in Shanghai papers suggests that such people really do exist in Shanghai. With some considerations of self are superior to considerations of patriotism. It seems that the contract rates of the British doctors are much higher than those charged by the German doctors; but one "True Briton" writes: "I understand that certain so-called Britons who have employed these German doctors for years cherish the illusion that they have on more than one occasion owed their lives to the skill and unremitting attention of these men, and have retained their services (on the understanding that no fees shall be paid till after the war) for the reason that they do not in matters of life and death feel the same confidence in any of the able British medical practitioners who are available in Shanghai." What would these "patriots" have done had they been living in Hongkong or at Home, instead of at Shanghai?

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED, AND REDUCED.

Subject to audit, the Directors of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. will, at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders to be held on 27th March, 1917, recommend the following allocation of profits:

To write off Deep Water Bay buildings and machinery, \$20,000.00
To write off Steamers, Launches and Lighters, 10,000.00
To pay a dividend of 80 cents per share, 320,000.00
To pay a bonus to Staff, 15,686.25
To place to reserve fund, 150,000.00
And carry forward to credit of next year's account about 110,000.00

THE MAGISTRACY.

THEFT OF BRASS.

A boiler-maker employed at the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock was brought before Mr. Melbourne this morning on the charge of stealing brass from the Dock.

Mr. Tucker, from the Docks, appeared to prosecute and the defendant pleaded not guilty to the charge.

It appeared that whilst leaving the Dock the defendant was arrested on suspicion by an Indian watchman and taken to the Police Station. There he was searched and four pieces of brass belonging to the Dock were found in his possession.

The defendant stated that the brass had been put in his jacket pocket and belt by the Indian watchman.

His defence, however, did not satisfy the Magistrate, who imposed a sentence of 14 days' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

A JUVENILE PICKPOCKET.

Whilst in Queen's Road West yesterday, a Chinese discovered a small boy attempting to pick his jacket pocket of a silver watch valued at \$24.00. He seized the young thief and called "spatch things." The boy broke free and ran away but was caught and arrested by a district watchman.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, the boy pleaded not guilty to a charge of larceny. After hearing the case His Worship sentenced the defendant to six weeks' hard labour and ten strokes of the birch.

The second defendant in the case, a man charged with aiding and abetting the boy in the larceny, was remanded on \$500 bail.

BANISHED FOR LIFE.

A Chinese brought before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning pleaded guilty to the charge of returning from banishment.

Inspector Sullivan stated the defendant had been banished for life and this was his second return to the Colony. As the Hon. C.S.F., Mr. McI. Messer, asked that the defendant be committed for trial, His Worship remanded the case until Thursday.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF AMMUNITION.

Charged with the unlawful possession of 150 rounds of ammunition, a cabin boy on the s.s. *Empress of Japan* appeared before Mr. Melbourne this morning. The defendant pleaded guilty to the offence and was fined \$75 or, in the alternative, six weeks' hard labour.

CHARGE AGAINST SHIP'S OFFICER.

The remanded case in which William J. Cooper, a ship's officer, is charged with being drunk and disorderly on the 26th of January in Yau-mai was again before Mr. Melbourne this morning.

The defendant was represented by Mr. Goldring, who intimated that he intended to take action against Sergeant Tallock for unlawful arrest and assault.

Evidence was taken and the case adjourned until Thursday.

A WELL-DESERVED SENTENCE.

In Mr. Melbourne's Court this afternoon a Chinese charged on remand with conspiring to defraud a country woman from Shamshui of \$250, by means of a trick, under circumstances reported in the *China Mail* of the 2nd inst. was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

THE LAW COURTS.

In the Supreme Court before the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees Davies, this morning, Chang Shing Kn, of 280 Queen's Road Central, sued the firm of Yee Or and partners for \$1,000 money lent.

Mr. E. J. Grist appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Hind for the defendant.

Mr. Grist asked His Lordship to adjourn the case pending the decision in an original action which concerned a question of partnership. The original action was to decide whether the plaintiff is or is not a partner in the defendant firm and perhaps it would be better to hold over the present action until this matter had been decided.

His Lordship adjourned the case sine die.

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THE LATE MR. A. H. HEWITT.

In the course of his sermon on Sunday morning, last, in St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, Rev. N. C. Pope made reference to the late Mr. A. H. Hewitt, as follows:—"When we come in contact with a man or a woman who is genuine, real, we are conscious of an aroma as it were, a sweet savour, a fragrance wafted over to us. It was so in the case of A. H. Hewitt. I did not know him intimately, but I never saw and talked with him but I felt the better for it. He sort of freshened one up." He was a man unspoiled by 30 years of Hongkong, and that is saying a good deal. I have known men spoilt by less than 30 months of Hongkong. I dare say that there was not a man on the Coast of China the equal of A. H. Hewitt in sheer ability, ability too of so extraordinarily versatile a character. But it was not that that impressed me so much; it was the transparent sincerity of the man. Those clear direct eyes of his were a true index to a life actuated by lofty principles. The strength of a winsome simplicity was his. I think that was why one liked him better each time one met him. His was a heart that would never have grown old, was so essentially childlike in its directness. He irradiated sweetness, at least that it was always my impression, and I don't think I shall forget it. I can well believe that those who knew him best are conscious of a blank; but the aroma of his character will abide.

"The Colony is much the poorer for the loss of him. We could do with more men of his type. The sudden tragedy that removed his presence from us will surely in God's good providence fix in the memories of all who know him the example of a man whom it was good to meet. We thank God for his life, his devotion to duty and his consistent character, the character of a man who was genuine to the core."

At the close of the Service the Congregation stood while the Dead March in *Saul* was played by the Organist.

Church Notes, the magazine of St. John's Cathedral, pays the following tribute to the late Mr. Hewitt:—"The suddenness of Mr. A. H. Hewitt's death came as a terribly sad surprise to his many friends in the Colony. On Tuesday, February 26th, he fell from a plank a distance of some ten feet, while engaged in examining the ravages of white ants, and died within half an hour. He was a man of many parts, who took a broad interest in life and could converse on many topics with knowledge and interest. As an engineer he was very keen on his profession, and he was fond of making experiments with electricity. He was a man of deep religious feeling, and one who had read considerably on theological subjects. He was one of the most regular attendants at the Cathedral service, and was at the early Celebration and at Evensong on the Sunday before his death. He exercised a wide influence for good, and was frequently doing acts of kindness in that spirit which Christ taught us when He said: 'We should not let our left hand know what our right hand doeth.' He took a great interest in the organ, and spent many hours in repairing it. He was a man who shunned notoriety and when invited to be a member of the Council of the National Mission of Repentance and Hope, replied 'That he would do his utmost to further the cause of the Mission, but that its guidance was a matter for able heads than his.' God has suddenly taken him to that closer union with Him which is enjoyed by the blessed dead. May he rest in peace, and may the memory of his example encourage many of us to give a similar proof of the power of the Christian faith."

Special reference was made to the late Mr. Hewitt's death by the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle, Chaplain of the Cathedral, before commencing his sermon on Sunday morning.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Anglo-Java Petates Limited, held on February 25, it was decided to recommend to the shareholders, at the forthcoming annual meeting, the payment of a final dividend of 1/4. 0/6 per share, thus making 1/4. 1/6 per share for the year.

Scoutmaster J. M. Bragg has received a letter from ex-Scout A. F. Demee from "somewhere in France." Mr. Demee is very well and sends his "cheer-ups" to all his friends and requests them to note his change of address. His new address is: Monsieur Acolphe Demee, 19cme Reg. d'Aligne, 10cme Commune, 3e Section, Sector Postal 83 France.

CHINA AND THE WAR SITUATION.

THE PRESIDENT'S ATTITUDE.

THREATENED RESIGNATION OF THE CABINET.

(Wah Tsz Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, March 5.

The high military authorities are rather sceptical with regard to China's third step towards Germany [i.e. joining the Entente].

Over 20 military officials, headed by two Generals, called on the Vice-President, General Feng Kuo Chiang, on March 2nd and asked him for his views on the subject.

The Vice-President replied that he advocated carefulness from the beginning, and that he continues to be of the same mind.

The Cabinet, decided upon, the final policy of the Country towards Germany, on March 3rd, and on the following morning the Premier and other Ministers, called on the President to explain the result of the Cabinet meeting, and requested the President's signature to a telegram severing diplomatic relations, which was to be sent to Germany.

The President, however, refused to sign the telegram on the ground that he must await Parliament's approval.

Upon hearing this the Premier left abruptly for Tientsin, dictating at the station his resignation to his secretary, who handed it to the President immediately after.

The Vice-President, who was attending a reception, upon hearing of the Premier's action, immediately left the dinner and hurried to the railway station, where he endeavoured to persuade the Premier to reconsider his decision, but without success.

Two important officials have been dispatched by the President to Tientsin to request the Premier to return to Peking.

The Central Government has requested of the Foreign Ministers that, in addition to the ten years' delay in payment of the Boxer indemnity and the revision of the Customs tariff, the 5th article of the "Twenty-two Demands" made by Japan in 1915 shall be permanently cancelled.

It is stated that all the Cabinet Ministers have decided to resign.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE MILITARY SERVICE COMMISSION.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1917.
Sir,—The Commissioners understand that some uncertainty has been expressed with regard to their attitude towards applications from British subjects of other than British race; and they desire accordingly to state that, in pursuance of the terms of reference of the Proclamation whereunder they are appointed, they investigate applications from all male British subjects of military age, irrespective of race.

It is true that two Indian applicants were, with the consent of the Military Authorities, sent to the Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General, who were unable to deal with their cases; the reason being that it was thought that the applicants desired to enlist in the Indian Army, and the Commissioners had no information of the conditions of recruitment for that Army.

It has since transpired that one of these applicants desires to enlist in the Army in England, and steps have been taken to consider his application in the usual course.

All future applications from British subjects, irrespective of race, will be dealt with by the Commissioners.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. G. M. FLETCHER,

Secretary.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

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| Wharves | 811 sellers |
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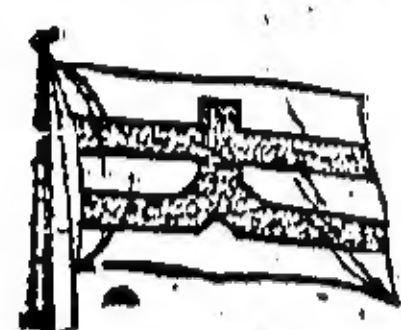
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| SHANGHAI | CHOYSANG | SUNDAY, Mar. 11, Daylight |
| TIENSIN | CHIPSILING | FRIDAY, Mar. 16, at 3 p.m. |
| MANILA | YUSANG | SATURDAY, Mar. 17, at 3 p.m. |
| HAIPHONG | TAKSANG | TUESDAY, Mar. 20, at 7 a.m. |

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| PERSIA MARU | 9,000-11 knots | Mon., 16th April |
| KOREA MARU | 18,000-13 knots | Thurs., 28th April |
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| DESTINATION | STEAMER | SAILING DATE |
|--|--|---------------------------------|
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| | SHIZUOKA MARU, Capt. Noma, Tons 12,500 | WEDNESDAY, 28th March at Noon |
| NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | NIKKO MARU, Capt. Takeda, Tons 8,000 | FRIDAY, 16th March at 10 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | TOYOTA MARU, Capt. Shimidzu, Tons 8,000 | SATURDAY, 10th March at 11 a.m. |
| | FUSHIMI MARU, Capt. Iizawa, Tons 21,000 | THURSDAY, 15th March at 11 a.m. |
| | HEIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 14,000 | FRIDAY, 23rd March at 11 a.m. |
| MOJI & KOBE | TOTOMI MARU, Capt. Kamada, Tons 8,000 | MONDAY, 19th March |
| LONDON via SINGAPORE, MALACCA, PENANG, COLOMBO, DELAGOA BAY, CAPE TOWN AND MADEIRA | | |
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Agents. Hongkong, March 2, 1917. 1546

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2/- Bataung 3/3 4/-

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2/- Kuala Lumpur 75/- 85/-

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HONGKONG FREIGHT MARKET.

News, Snowman and Co's freight circular states: Since reporting on the 17th ult. the continued warping of tonnage, which is now more accentuated by the Government requisitioning, is to a very great extent, responsible for the small volume of chartering business transacted in our market during the interval and it would appear that the outlook for the immediate future is anything but promising. There has only been a slight demand for tonnage from Hongkong but the requirements that have been made have been sufficient to firm the rate in this direction and fixtures reported are those of one medium sized and one small outside both 75 cents per picul. A regular liner has since been reported fixed on a basis of 80 cents per picul and further tonnage for the first half of this month loading would probably be accepted at the same rate. Quotation for No. 2 White round sifted rice stands at \$7.75 per picul f.o.b. Saigon for March to April shipment.

Bar clock to Hongkong.—When we last reported the rate in this direction stood at \$1.25 to \$1.15 per picul for inside to outside the bar loading and this has since strengthened by five cents. Spot fixtures have not been reported but during the interval a certain amount of tonnage has been taken up fixtures made for inside while again. At the moment of going to press there is a rumour current to the effect that the Bangkok rice market has declined and this may therefore affect the freight rate but confirmation of this report is not yet to hand.

Saigon Java.—No change is reported although tonnage would be placed. Charterers' ideas of rates, however, are rather low when taking into consideration the present state of the market.

Saigon Philippines remains as last reported.

Bahia Santos.—Business has been arranged in this direction, a regular counter chartering 85 cents per picul for usual quantity and giving middle March loading and also a Japanese boat of similar capacity and loading time at 80 cents per picul.

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HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

MARCH 6, 1917.—A.M.

| Station. | Hour. | Barometer at Sea Level. | Temperature. | Humidity. | Direction. | Force. | Weather. |
|--------------|--------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------|------------|--------|----------|
| W. Stock | 6 a.m. | 30.19 | 59 | 78 | NNE | 2 | b |
| Memuro | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Kodoko | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Tokio | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Kobe | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Nagasaki | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Kagoshima | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Oshima | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Naha | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Shanghai | 6 a.m. | 30.38 | 54 | 78 | NNE | 1 | b |
| Amoy | 6 a.m. | 30.21 | 54 | 78 | NNE | 1 | b |
| Swatow | 6 a.m. | 30.19 | 54 | 78 | NNE | 1 | b |
| Taihou | 6 a.m. | 30.19 | 54 | 78 | NNE | 1 | b |
| Taipei | 6 a.m. | 30.04 | 54 | 78 | NNE | 1 | b |
| Tainan | 6 a.m. | 30.01 | 54 | 78 | NNE | 1 | b |
| Koshu | 6 a.m. | 29.97 | 54 | 78 | NNE | 1 | b |
| Pescadore | 6 a.m. | 30.04 | 54 | 78 | NNE | 1 | b |
| Canton | 6 a.m. | 30.12 | 50 | 100 | NNE | 2 | b |
| Hongkong | 6 a.m. | 30.06 | 50 | 90 | NNE | 2 | b |
| Gay Rock | 6 a.m. | 30.03 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Macao | 6 a.m. | 30.05 | 52 | 92 | SWN | 2 | b |
| Wachow | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Pakhoi | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Hoihow | 6 a.m. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Shulin | 6 a.m. | 30.04 | 57 | 100 | NNE | 4 | st |
| Touran | 6 a.m. | 29.93 | 64 | — | SW | 4 | st |
| C. St. James | 6 a.m. | 29.78 | 73 | — | SW | 4 | st |
| Apurri | 6 a.m. | 29.86 | 76 | 84 | SW | 1 | b |
| Dagupan | 6 a.m. | 29.80 | 75 | 86 | SW | 1 | b |
| Manila | 6 a.m. | 29.82 | 72 | 81 | SW | 1 | b |
| Legaspi | 6 a.m. | 29.82 | 77 | 89 | SW | 1 | b |
| Tacloban | 6 a.m. | 29.78 | 75 | 86 | SW | 2 | b |
| Iloilo | 6 a.m. | 29.78 | 75 | 81 | SW | 2 | b |
| Surigao | 6 a.m. | 29.78 | 75 | 86 | SW | 2 | b |
| Labuan | 6 a.m. | 29.88 | 78 | 81 | SW | 4 | b |

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, March 6, 1917.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. TEMPERATURE in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.

5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.

6. STATE OF WEATHER, by blue sky, detached cloud, drizzling rain, fog, gloomy, hail, lightning, overcast, passing shower, squall, rain, snow, thunder, visibility, wind (wet).

7. RAIN in inches, tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG TIDES.

March 7th to 13th, 1917.

| HIGH WATER. | | | | LOW WATER. | | | |
|--------------|-------------|---------------------|---------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|---------|
| Day of Week. | Qty. Water. | Roughing Mean Time. | Height. | Day of Week. | Qty. Water. | Roughing Mean Time. | Height. |
| Wed. | 7 | 8 m 26 s | 5.5 | Wed. | 7 | 10 m 16 s | 5.5 |
| Thur. | 8 | 8 44 s | 5.5 | Thur. | 8 | 10 34 s | 5.5 |
| Fri. | 9 | 8 59 s | 5.5 | Fri. | 9 | 10 50 s | 5.5 |
| Sat. | 9 | 9 46 s | 5.5 | Sat. | 9 | 11 36 s | 5.5 |
| Sun. | 10 | 9 41 s | 5.5 | Sun. | 10 | 12 27 s | 5.5 |
| Mon. | 10 | 10 16 s | 5.5 | Mon. | 10 | 13 16 s | 5.5 |
| Tue. | 11 | 10 32 s | 5.5 | Tue. | 11 | 14 02 s | 5.5 |
| Wed. | 11 | 10 58 s | 5.5 | Wed. | 11 | 14 49 s | 5.5 |
| Thur. | 12 | 11 16 s | 5.5 | Thur. | 12 | 15 34 s | 5.5 |
| Fri. | 12 | 11 24 s | 5.5 | Fri. | 12 | 16 19 s | 5.5 |
| Sat. | 13 | 11 32 s | 5.5 | Sat. | 13 | 17 04 s | 5.5 |